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Letter dated 15 May 2002 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a table showing the 86 violations of Lebanese territory that were committed on land, at sea and in the air by Israel during the month of April 2002.

The breaches of Lebanon's sovereignty that Israel commits on land, at sea and in the air are in violation of the Blue Line and of the provisions of Security Council resolution 425 (1978), and they pose a threat to stability and promote a climate of tension in the region.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 42, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Houssam Asaad **Diab**
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Summary information on Israeli violations during the month of April 2002

In the air				*At sea*	*On the ground*				
					Military attacks	*Field violations*	*Infringements*	*Total*	*Remarks*
Jet fighters	Reconnaissance aircraft	Helicopters	Total	Violations of territorial waters and launching of flares	Air raids and bombardment of military outposts and important centres	Artillery bombardments, shooting and placement of installations inside Lebanese territory	Threats and brandishing of weapons, earthmoving and placement of concertina wire inside Lebanese territory		
34	22	4	60	11	11		-	86	Total violations in previous month: 31
									Table does not include violations in the occupied Shab`a farmlands and the Kafr Shuba hills area, a zone of military operations